(*g*) whether it is not possible to increase the extent of wet lands even though the construction of a feeder channel of the tank may be a little costly ?

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (Mr. M. G. Mehkri).—

A.—(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) 1896, 1915, 1927 and 1940.

(*d*) G. O. No. R. 3942-51/L. R. 465-17-13, dated 13-2-1922 (copy enclosed).

(*e*) This has to be investigated.

(*f*) No.

(*g*) No. The cost of a feeder channel is prohibitive.

MR. SHIVANAGERE NARANAPPA (Sira—Urban).—

Q.—118. With tae Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether a lacquer indusrry class was opened in Urdu Middle School at Sira ; if so, in what year ;

(*b*) the difficulty to introduce the same lacquer industry in the Kannada Middle School ;

(*c*) the present number of students in this class ;

(*d*) whether any action is being taken for introducing lacquer industry class in the Kannada Middle School ?

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, GENERAL DEPARTMENT (Mr. J. Appaji Gowda).—

A. (*a*) A practical instruction class in lacquer work was opened in the Urdu Middle School, Sira, in 1939.

(*b*) This has not been considered till now as there was presumably no demand. However orders have been issued recently to the effect that students of the Kannada Middle School may be permitted to attend these classes in the Urdu Middle School if they desire.

(*c*) One.

(*d*) *Vide* reply to Clause (*b*).

PATEL BASAPPA (Shimoga—Rural).—

Q.—120. Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) from how many years written applications have been submitted to Government requesting that a bridge may be constructed to the Bhadra river at Holehonnur, Shimoga Taluk ;

(*b*) how many petitions have been received in the matter from the public ;

(*c*) how many resolutions were passed in the District Board and Conference meetings urging the necessity for a bridge in this place and sent to Government ;

(*d*) whether a survey has been made for the estimate of the bridge ;

(*e*) if so, what is the estimated amount ;

(*f*) whether it is a fact that the Government have promised the public in regard to the construction of a bridge in this place ;

(*g*) if so, when the construction of this bridge will be taken up (detailed answers may be furnished to all the questions ?